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Case No. 9683/88

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In re Application of:

Takeshi Natsuno

Serial No: 09/868,477

Examiner: Frantzy Poinvil

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Group Art Unit: 3628

For: Electronic-Commerce Contracts  
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Communication Network

Confirmation No. 1827

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

Patent No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
JP-1998210073A	08-1998	Oki Electric Industry Co. Ltd.

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

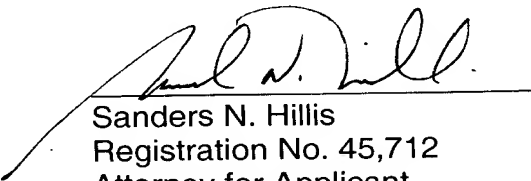
This information disclosure statement is being filed to provide a machine translation of Japanese Patent Application JP410210073A. The abstract of Japanese Patent Application JP410210073A was cited in the office action mailed September 19, 2006. Accordingly, Japanese Patent Application JP410210073A was previously of record in the present application, and no fees are believed due in association with the filing of this information disclosure statement.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated no fee to be due upon filing this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the accompanying Transmittal.

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